

Bonhomme, Penny

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To: PHC Testimony

I support improving Lyme education and research in the state of CT. I was diagnosed with early stages of lyme in early December of 2011. I was playing with my son in my own back yard in Marlborough, CT. and a couple of weeks latter I noticed the tick bite on my leg while in the shower. The redness and swelling got worse with each day so I finally got myself to the doctor who determined that I had acute lyme disease. He put me on a strong dose of antibiotics for 3 weeks. Durring those weeks I developed extreame pain throughout my body and felt like I was hit by a bus. It was not fun to say the least, the good news is that we caught it early enough so the medicine was able to knock it out. At the moment I have no signs of lyme and my last blood test was negative for the disease. I have 3 children and would not want them to go through what I went through but they are kids and I can't keep them inside all the time. I support funding for any kind of program that help with this tick problem because without deer ticks thier is no lyme disease so if spraying is the answer and we can use an organic substance than i'm all for it. Please help protect my family and my neighbors from this horrible disease that I no so well and i'm one of the "lucky" ones.

Thank you,

Jay Signor.